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## VIOLENT PICKETS.

Ichang Salt Gabelle Office Wrecked.

## THE CANTON SPLIT.

Borodin Denies Seeking British Help.

The latest Yangtze outrage is the wrecking of the Salt Gabelle Office at Ichang because posters were removed from the gate.

The Nationalist split appears to be growing daily and it is now reported that the moderates are gaining ground.

M. Borodin, the Nationalist Government's chief adviser, has issued a statement denying that he asked for British help to secure the release of Madame Borodin.

## VIOLENT PICKETS.

Ichang Salt Gabelle Office Wrecked.

The local naval authorities have received the following wireless messages:

The situation at Shanghai at the time of wirelessing was generally quiet.

The strike of Shanghai-Nanking railway employees continues.

Cotton mill employees, including those of one British mill, who struck on the 10th and 11th inst. are still out.

Sun Yat-sen anniversary observances passed off quietly, probably due to the rain, in spite of rumours of a one-day strike from many quarters.

## "Red" Gunmen's Crimes.

The activities of "Red" gunmen are increasing as evidenced by three murders of Chinese in authority on March 11, including a private detective and foreman of two cotton mills and an accountant of the Shanghai Tramway Company.

A three-days' holiday has been decreed at Wanhsien in memory of Sun Yat-sen, but it appears that there will be little enthusiasm throughout the observance.

No untoward incident marked a demonstration at Ichang in memory of Sun Yat-sen.

## Pickets' Violence.

The Salt Gabelle Office at Ichang was wrecked by pickets because posters had been removed from the gate.

The Police and Military authorities took no steps to prevent the outrage.

No anti-foreign move has so far been made by the Extremists at Hankow who have assumed control since the split but posters have appeared requesting Chang Kai-shek to vest in others some of the powers that he has been assuming.

The situation remains quiet.

## CANTON SPLIT.

Moderates Said To Be Gaining Ground.

Advices from Canton on March 10 confirm the split in the Kuomintang ranks. General Chang Kai-shek and Hsu Chen (the Minister of Justice) representing the moderates and extremists, respectively. Matters are expected to come to a head very shortly.

Changsha reports state that the split between General Chang Kai-shek and Tsang Sung-chi is an accomplished fact. The latter represents the Left wing of the Kuomintang.

## Extremists Resign.

A conference of the Party leaders was held at Hankow on March 10, and it is understood that Hsu Chen and Liu Wen-te (also a prominent extremist) have resigned and left Hankow. Apparently the moderates are gaining ground.

## BORODIN'S DENIAL.

British Intervention Not Asked.

Hankow, March 12.

The National News Agency quotes M. Borodin as saying that he had not asked any British authority to interfere on behalf of Mrs. Borodin. "The Chinese people are well able to prevent any harm to Mrs. Borodin and effect her release." He denies that Mrs. Borodin was carrying military secrets to the Southerners—Reuter.

## PATCHING UP A TRUCE?

Generals to Get Rid of Russians?

Shantung troops of superior quality are pouring into Nanking. The majority are proceeding to

(Continued on Page 7)

## CHINESE RIOT.

Singapore Procession  
Tragedy.

## POLICE STATION RUSHED.

Singapore, March 13. The police fired twice, killing six Chinese and injuring eleven, when crowds got out of hand during a demonstration to celebrate the anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

A large party of night scholars, who marched in procession, blocked the traffic. A European police inspector and two constables trying to clear the congestion were assaulted and compelled to use their truncheons.

The mob later attempted to rush a police station and an inspector was severely wounded in the head, whereupon the police fired.—Reuter.

## EARLIER MESSAGES.

Shanghai, March 12. On the occasion of the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen many members of the Right Wing of the Kuomintang Party went on a pilgrimage

Rugby, March 13. The newspapers report that British troops yesterday refused to permit a body of Shantung troops to enter the International Settlement, Shanghai.

The Chinese were first stopped by British sentries, but on the attempt being renewed, a party of British infantry were sent to the scene, and the Chinese retired peacefully.

Possibly the episode was the result of misunderstanding, since it has been clearly stated by the Settlement authorities that armed Chinese troops are not to be permitted in the Settlement, and that complete neutrality between the contending Chinese forces is and will be maintained.—British Wireless Service.

CHINA AND THE LEAGUE.

French Foreign Minister's Statement.

Geneva, March 13. Talking to foreign Press correspondents after the close of the meetings of the Council, M. Briand, French Foreign Minister, referring to China, remarked that the League could only undertake questions which it could jurisdictionally take up. China was divided. Asked by whom, then, an appeal to the League should be made and in what conditions, M. Briand said that in principle the thing was not impossible should events take a turn enabling the League to occupy itself with the Chinese question.—Reuter.

## ICHANG CLASH.

Labour Union's Absurd Demands.

London, March 12.

British, Japanese, Chinese and other admirers of Sun Yat-sen assembled at the Chinese Legation, London, to-day and paid tributes to his memory.

The Chinese Charge d'Affaires delivered the preliminary address, standing before a sort of altar decorated with flowers, above which hung a portrait of Sun Yat-sen surmounted by a laurel wreath.

Sun's declaration of policy made on his death-bed was then read, and subsequently Mr. George Lansbury made a speech attacking capitalism.

After the audience had saluted the portrait, a band played the Chinese National Anthem, and the "Internationale."—Reuter.

## Meeting in Paris.

Paris, March 12. The anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen was celebrated by a Communist meeting at which, according to "L'Humanité" the speakers included Kuomintang members who addressed the gathering in English speeches and hailed the "awakening of the slaves of Imperialism!"—Reuter.

## H.M.S. "ARGUS."

CURIOUS AIRCRAFT CARRIER HERE.

## CONVERTED MERCHANTMAN.

Passengers on the harbour ferries have had a good view this week-end of H.M.S. "Gnat" had its arm broken and three of the stevedores were injured in the heels, with batons.

The labour union later made demands through the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, including the immediate withdrawal of the gunboat, the recall of the officer responsible, an apology from the British Legation representative, Mr. Teichman, and the payment of a preposterous indemnity.

Failing a reply within twenty-four hours, the union said that full responsibility would rest with Mr. Teichman.

The trouble arose through a misunderstanding in which the majority of the blame did not rest with the bluejackets. Yet at a meeting of labour union leaders with the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs and Mr. Teichman, the labour union leaders would

## GUILD ILLEGAL.

Rules in Restraint of Trade.

## TO-DAY'S JUDGMENT.

Singapore, March 13. On the ground that the Kwong Yee Tong (bricklayers) guild of Hong Kong was an illegal Society in that it had, as inseparable from its principal object, an illegal restraint of trade, Mr. Justice Wood in the Summary Court this morning dismissed the claim of certain of its officials for alleged arrears of payments by a member of the Guild (Tsang Kam-chi).

Judgment was with costs.

A stay of execution pending a possible appeal was granted.

In the course of his judgment, His Honour said that he had considered the evidence, both oral and documentary, and assessed the balance which plaintiffs could sue for if they represented a legal Society as \$121.54 and not \$249.92 as had been claimed.

On behalf of the defendant it had been submitted by Mr. D. McCallum that the Guild was an illegal Society on the ground that the principal object involved unreasonable restraint of trade.

It is understood that the head of the local Seamen's Union told the "Fatshan's" crew to resume. Two of the delegates of the Union branch on the ship have gone to Canton for instructions.

As the result of a meeting, the men have called off the strike.

## POSTERS INCIDENT.

S.S. "Fatshan" To Sail To-morrow.

## STRIKE CALLED OFF.

Trouble on the China Navigation ss. "Fatshan" has blown over and the boat is to sail for Canton at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

Police action in removing two of series of coloured posters on the ship's side was referred to in Saturday's report.

On Saturday afternoon, Europeans from Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's boats and from the Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. took the vessel to anchor at Kowloon Bay.

This morning, the "Fatshan" went back to the Steamboat Co.'s wharf to receive cargo and passengers for to-morrow's departure.

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## LAEST NEWS.

THE TROUBLE IN SHANGHAI INCREASING.

## ASSASSINS' CAMPAIGN.

Shanghai, March 14. The Labour situation at Shanghai continues to be very disturbed and Red activities are growing more intensive.

Assassins yesterday shot dead the foreman of a Japanese cotton mill and escaped.

There are an increasing number of posters in mills urging workers to "raise immediately and seize the administrative power" and loudly the assassination of loyal workers.

There have been no military developments. The rain is continuous and the country is sodden.—Reuter.

## Fettering Freedom.

The rule of Common Law under which the submission was made was that "it is unlawful to fetter by agreement the freedom of any one engaged in trade as a trader or employer or workman except in so far as such fetter is reasonably necessary for the protection of the person seeking to impose such fetter upon others."

In order to find whether this Society was an illegal one, His Honour continued, it was necessary to examine the purposes for which the Society was formed and the means whereby it proposed to effect those purposes. If either of these be illegal, it might be necessary to examine more closely into the nature of the illegality to see whether it was of such kind to taint the whole constitution of the Society and make it an illegal Society.

The Guild consisted of over 3,000 members, continued His Honour, but it did not comprise all the working bricklayers of the Colony. At least one other guild of such workmen was known to exist. According to the evidence of the Chairman of the plaintiff Guild, its purposes were to afford trade protection to its members. This object was lawful. Combinations to better the conditions of labour were not unlawful in Common Law.

It became necessary to consider whether the means or any of the means by which the Guild proposed to effect this object were illegal. The only rule which in His Honour's opinion could be substantially challenged was No. 6 which prohibited any member from completing a contract made by another member in respect of which a dispute might arise.

"Any restraint of trade incidental to other rules of the Guild seemed to His Honour plainly to be proportional to the advantage of members contemplated therein. Two questions arose out of this consideration (1), does it prescribe restraint

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board.

S. COURTNEY COOK,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

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J. D. THOMSON,  
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Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers, Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

All members are requested to attend. R. E. GREENSMITH, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong, 10th March, 1927.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
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(a)—To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.  
(b)—To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing Year.  
(c)—To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.  
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## THE FIVE DIVISIONS.

London, March 12. Principal league football matches played to-day (home team, given first) resulted:—

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Everton 2, Leeds 1.  
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Nelson 7, Accrington 0.  
New Brighton 1, Rochdale 2.  
Rotherham 2, Barrow 0.  
Stoke 2, Crewe 1.  
Walton 1, Lincoln 2.  
Wigan 2, Stockport 0.  
Wrexham 3, Southport 0.

Ashington v. Tranmere not played.

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

## Division I.

Clyde 5, Aberdeen 1.  
Cowdenbeath 2, Celtic 1.  
Dundee 4, St. Johnstone 1.  
Falkirk 1, St. Mirren 1.  
Hamilton 2, Dunfermline 2.  
Hibernians 3, Dundee United 2.  
Kilmarnock 1, Motherwell 4.  
Morton 3, Partick 0.  
Queen's Park 2, Hearts 0.  
Rangers 1, Airdrieonians 1.

—Reuter.

## IRELAND WINS.

## INTERNATIONAL RUGBY MATCHES.

## LED BY 10 POINTS.

Dublin, March 12. In sunny weather, before a crowd of 25,000, Ireland defeated Wales by 10 points in the rugby international.

Stephenson kicked a penalty goal for Ireland within a minute of the start, and nine minutes later Caney scored a try, which Stephenson converted.

The Irishmen did most of the attacking during the first half, and Stephenson scored a try, which he failed to convert.

Buchanan, the Irish forward, was injured and was forced to retire.

At the interval the score was:—Ireland 11 points (1 goal, 1 penalty goal, 1 try) to Wales's nil.

Last Spur for Wales.

Buchanan did not return in the second half, but for some time Ireland continued to have the better of the play, and within five minutes Stephenson had got another try, which he converted. Two minutes later, the Irish scoring was completed by Ganley. The try was unconverted.

Wales exerted pressure, and Morgan scored a try which Powell converted, and shortly afterwards Windsor Lewis dropped a goal.

Ireland maintained the pace well and the final whistle blew with the scores:—Ireland 19 points (2 goals, 1 penalty goal, 2 tries) to Wales's 6 points (1 goal, 1 dropped goal).—Reuter.

## County Championship.

London, March 12. In the rugby county championship final played at Blackheath to-day, Kent defeated Leicestershire by 22 points to 12.—Reuter.

## HOME CROSS-COUNTRY.

London, March 12. The national cross-country championship, run at Crews to-day over a ten miles course, was won by E. Harper, of Hallamshire Harriers, who completed the distance in 1 hr. 0 min., 6/25th seconds.

The team championship was also won by Hallamshire Harriers against a record field, thirty-nine teams competing.—Reuter.

H.M.S. "Frobisher" defeated Royal Naval Yard Police by 820 points to 768 in a billiards match (six a side, each 150 up) at the Naval Yard canteen on Saturday.

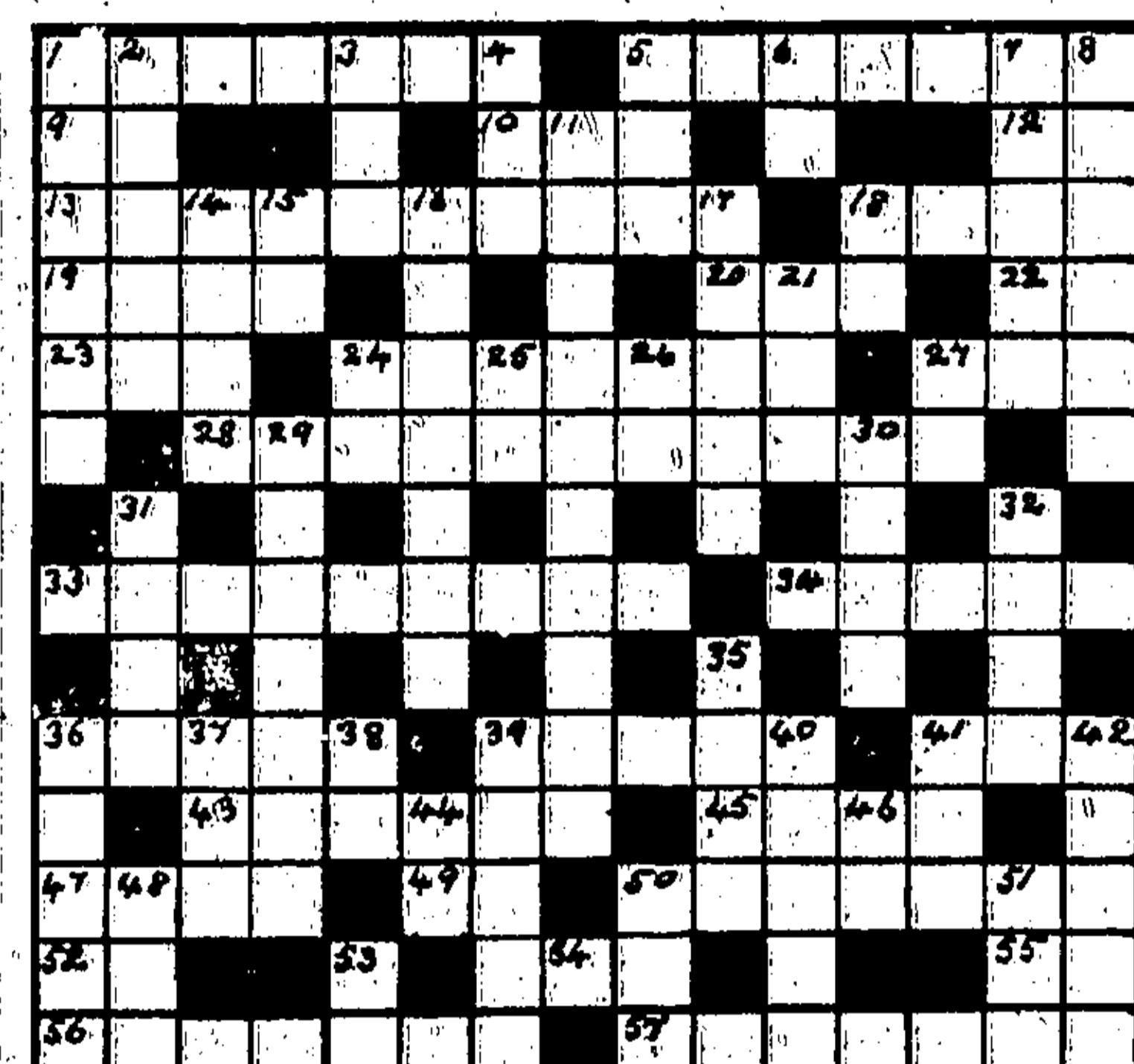
The annual rugby match between the Hong Kong Football Club (rugger section) and the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank is to be played on the H.K.F.C. ground on Wednesday week at 5.30 p.m. This is the fourth match of the series, the Club having won two and the Bank one.

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HAKATA MARU .....Saturday, 26th March.  
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NAGANO MARU .....Saturday, 19th March.  
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
AKI MARU .....Saturday, 19th March.  
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| AMAZONE      | B                        | 12th Mar.   | 20th Mar.                              |
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The tourists, who number 650, and consist chiefly of New York and San Francisco business men, will have two clear days in Hong Kong. The party will split up to-morrow, one section going to Macao and the others touring the Island and New Territories whilst, Wednesday, will see a reversal of the plans respect of the two parties.

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## SUBMARINE MISSING.

March 12.

A telegram from Cartagena states that Spain's latest submarine BS has not appeared for three days. It was last seen diving.—Reuter.

## 3-POWER PACT.

AMERICA ISSUES FORMAL  
INVITATIONS.

Washington, March 12.

Formal Invitations to Great Britain and Japan to attend a Three-Power Naval Conference at Geneva, have been sent to the British and Japanese Ambassadors for transmission to their respective Governments.

The invitation calls for a disarmament conference to meet as soon after June as convenient, the actual date to depend upon the time required by Japan, to increase her present delegation to the Preparatory Disarmament Conference and provide the delegation with new instructions.—Reuter's American Service.

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|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|--------|
| EMPEROR OF CANADA | Mar. 30 | Apr. 2  | Apr. 5  | Apr. 8  | Apr. 17  |        |
| EMPEROR OF RUSSIA | Apr. 20 | Apr. 23 | Apr. 26 | Apr. 29 | May 8    |        |
| EMPEROR OF ASIA   | May 11  | May 14  | May 17  | May 20  | May 29   |        |
| EMPEROR OF CANADA | June 1  | June 4  | June 7  | June 10 | June 19  |        |
| EMPEROR OF RUSSIA | June 22 | June 25 | June 28 | July 1  | July 10  |        |
| EMPEROR OF ASIA   | July 11 | July 15 | July 19 | July 22 | July 31  |        |
| EMPEROR OF CANADA | Aug. 1  | Aug. 5  | Aug. 9  | Aug. 12 | Aug. 21  |        |
| EMPEROR OF RUSSIA | Aug. 24 | Aug. 27 | Aug. 30 | Sept. 2 | Sept. 11 |        |

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| MONTCLARE | April | 23 | MONTROSE | June | 24 |
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|----------|--------|---------------------------|--|
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| MONGOLIA | 16,504 | 10th March                | Marseilles, London                                     |
|          |        | Noon                      |  |
| MACEONIA | 10,320 | 2nd April                 | Marseilles & London                                    |
| KHYBER   | 9,114  | 9th April                 | Marseilles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull |
| DEVANHA  | 8,156  | 10th April                | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull                     |
| DELTA    | 8,097  | 27th April                | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way                     |
| MALWA    | 10,941 | 30th April                | Marseilles and London                                  |
| NELLOR   | 6,855  | 11th May                  | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way                     |
| KHIVA    | 9,135  | 14th May                  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp                           |
| NYANZA   | 7,023  | 25th May                  | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay                       |
| MOREA    | 10,918 | 28th May                  | Marseilles & London                                    |
| KASHMIR  | 9,005  | 11th June                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp                           |
| MANTUA   | 10,002 | 25th June                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp                           |
| KALYAN   | 9,144  | 29th July                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp                           |
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|--------|--------|------------|------------------------------|
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| TILAWA | 10,000 | 18th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|            |       |            |  |
|------------|-------|------------|--|
| ST. ALBANS | 4,600 | 1st April  | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Arafura |
| ARAFURA    | 6,000 | 29th April | Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & ST. ALBANS |
| TANDA      | 6,956 | 3rd June   | Melbourne                                  |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st July   |  |
| ARAFURA    | 6,000 | 29th July  |  |

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|         |        |            |                                |
|---------|--------|------------|--------------------------------|
| KHYBER  | 9,114  | 15th March | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
|         |        | Noon       |                                |
| DEVANHA | 8,156  | 18th March | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| JANUS   | 4,824  | 20th March | Kobe                           |
| TILAWA  | 10,000 | 22nd March | Melbourne                      |
| TEESTA  | 6,296  | 24th March | Moji & Kobe                    |
| LAHORE  | 5,252  | 27th March | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe          |
| MALWA   | 10,980 | 1st April  | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe          |
| DELTA   | 8,097  | 1st April  | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama   |
| ARAFURA | 5,000  | 5th April  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| JEYPORE | 7,648  | 12th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| NELLOR  | 6,853  | 15th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| KHIVA   | 9,135  | 15th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| NYANZA  | 7,023  | 29th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe        |
| MOREA   | 10,053 | 29th April | Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama |
| TANDA   | 6,958  | 8th May    |                                |

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## MOSCOW SUED.

## NATIONALISATION OF RUSSIAN SHIP.

## AN INTERESTING JUDGMENT.

Mr. Justice Hill last month delivered judgment in this action of the plaintiff Bourgois, in respect of the steamship "Jupiter." The plaintiffs were the Compagnie Russe de Navigation à Vapeur et de Commerce, and Messieurs Claude M. A. A. E. Bourgois, and Leonidas Tcheloff and Gregoire Margoline, on behalf of themselves and others, trading as the Compagnie Russe de Navigation à Vapeur et de Commerce. The nominal defendants were an Italian company of ship-breakers, the Cantieri Olivo Società Anonima, although the action was really defended by the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

The facts, which were first reported in "The Times" as far back as May 30, 1924, were shortly as follows:- The Compagnie Russe, under its Russian name of "Ropit," carried on business in Russia before the revolution, having a head office in Petrograd, its ships being registered at Odessa. In 1917 the head office was transferred to Odessa. At the beginning of 1919 the business was apparently moved to France, and the ships traded from Marseilles. After a time issues arose between the company on its shipmasters, with the result that the French Courts appointed an administrator, to which once the plaintiff Bourgois eventually succeeded.

In September, 1922, owing to the general depression of the shipping industry, the Jupiter was laid up at Dartmouth in the charge of the master, a Captain Leopine. In March, 1924, while the vessel was so laid up, the master handed her over to the representatives in London of the Soviet Government. That step, he told the Court, was taken for patriotic motives. The plaintiffs alleged that he was influenced by bribes or threats.

Government's Demand.

In those circumstances an action was instituted in the Admiralty Division by the Compagnie Russe claiming possession of the Jupiter.

The Soviet Government, who defended the action, successfully pleaded "sovereign rights and privileges," and Mr. Justice Hill, on May 29, 1924, set aside the writ and stayed all proceedings in the action on the ground that the Russian Government, having asserted property in the vessel and declared its unwillingness to submit to the jurisdiction, could not be impleaded in the British Courts" (40 "The Times" L.R. 315).

The Russian Government claimed to be the owners of the vessel under a decree for the nationalisation of Russian merchant ships, and also asserted that the plaintiff company had no legal existence by reason of the operation of a Soviet decree for the liquidation of Russian private companies.

In September, 1924, the Arcos Steamship Company, Limited, on behalf of the Soviet Government, sold the Jupiter to an Italian company, the Centiere Olivo Società Anonima.

On October 8, 1924, the plaintiffs issued the writ in the present action, claiming against the Italian purchasers a declaration that the plaintiffs were the lawful owners of the vessel and that possession should be given them, or, alternatively, judgment for the value of the ship, and damages.

The Soviet Government at once moved to stay proceedings in this action also, but the President, Lord Merrivale, who was upheld on appeal by the Court of Appeal (41 "The Times" L.R. 321), dismissed the motion, holding that the Russian State was not impleaded by the action, which was against an Italian company, and that the Admiralty Court had jurisdiction to entertain a claim by one foreigner against another foreigner for possession of a foreign ship that was within the territorial jurisdiction of the Admiralty.

The famous Frenchman made his prophecy in 1890, when the liquidators of his Panama enterprise estimated that a maximum of six million tons would be reached in thirteen years after the completion of the canal. The figures for 1926 show the relative traffic to be:-

Panama Canal, 26,836,000 tons.

Suez Canal, 26,060,000 tons.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Woosung on March 11, at 4 p.m., left yesterday at 3 a.m., and was due at Nagasaki this morning.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Kobe on March 11, at 4:30 p.m., left on March 12, at 7:30 a.m., and was due at Shanghai this morning and will leave to-morrow at noon.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on March 10, at 6:30 a.m., left that port the same evening, and is due at Hong Kong on March 18, at 9 a.m.

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### A BOYCOTT ECHO.

An article on "The Economic Result of the Canton Boycott against Hong Kong" appears in the latest issue of "Chinese Correspondence," published at Wuhu by the Press Office of the Political Department of the Headquarters of the National Revolutionary Army of China. It breathes the usual Nationalist atmosphere in declaiming in terms more forcible than polite against "Imperialism," a shibboleth which is being ridden to death by every Nationalist writer and publicist to-day. Moreover, when it states that "the significance of Hong Kong as the stronghold of British Imperialism is obvious to all" it rather sheds something like the true light on "Imperialism" in this Colony. Thus, it admits that Hong Kong has developed into the most important harbour in all South China. And it is even conceded that Hong Kong is "a meeting place between South China and North China on the one hand and between South China and the southern Asiatic continent on the other." If this is all that can be brought forward in support of the dreadful charge of "Imperialism" there is no reason to be ashamed. Middle men and intermediaries in commerce are essential. By acting as the entrepot for trade, between South China and the rest of the world this Colony has been of immense service to Canton. But for commercial service of this kind, where would the trade of Canton have gone in all the years preceding the boycott of 1925-26? How would the Chinese merchants of Canton fare but for the rapid transit facilities afforded by Hong Kong? Far from recognising the immense part played by Hong Kong in the building up of Canton's trade with the outside world, the writer of the article under notice asserts that Hong Kong "has been like a leech" on the economic body of South China and has done much to prevent the development of the mainland." Its meaning is clear, but its smile is like that in regard to "Imperialism," unfortunate. A leech has

been applied to the economic body of South China. It has been the means of curing it of inertia and of galvanising it into an activity that would otherwise have been manifestly impossible in the absence of shipping and harbour facilities in Canton equal to those in this Colony.

Equally absurd is the reference in the article to "the situation and role of Hong Kong as the parasitic user of world trade with China and Chinese trade in the interior." That is merely toying with words and phrases without an intelligent idea of their real meaning. If China—as it is natural to expect—desires her trade to develop, she must enter into commercial relations with the nations of foreign Powers. She cannot prohibit Chinese subjects trading with foreigners—that would be to dwarf Chinese commerce itself with results that would affect China far more than outside countries. If it so happens that the major portion of that trade has been done with British merchants, that surely is no reason for denouncing Britons as "Imperialists" and Hong Kong as "leech on the economic body of South China." In fact, it is the highest tribute that has yet been paid by the Chinese Nationalist Press to British acumen and foresight in regard to the whole subject of China's trade.

### A Singapore Incident.

It may be expected that the Chinese Nationalist propagandists will get busy and endeavour to make capital out of the incident in Singapore reported in Reuter's cablegrams. The simple facts, however, speak for themselves. Arising out of the excitement attending a demonstration to celebrate the anniversary of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's death the crowd got out of hand. A large party of night scholars who marched in the procession, blocked the traffic, and in endeavouring to clear the congestion, a European Police Inspector and two constables were assaulted, being compelled to use their truncheons. Subsequently the mob tried to rush a Police Station, and, on an Inspector being severely wounded in the head, the Police were compelled to fire. It should be noted—for the information of the propagandists—that the incident had nothing to do at all with the homage that was being paid to the memory of the "Father of the Republic." As in Hong Kong the ceremony was one with which the authorities did not interfere in the slightest degree. As in Hong Kong, the Police are scrupulous in respect of the liberty of the average Chinese subject—so long as he keeps within the law. When, however, a mob gets out of hand, assaults Police officers, and attempts to rush a Police Station, even the Police in Canton itself would have been impelled to take drastic measures to prevent one incident developing into general riots and to protect the lives of those whose duty it is to maintain law and order. This fact is worth mentioning by way of warning the propagandists that whatever capital they may seek to make out of the Singapore affair is not likely to carry much weight with those who are accustomed to take a more sober view of actual facts.

## TO-DAY'S WEDDING.

CHINA NAVIGATION OFFICER  
MARRIED.

## UNION CHURCH CEREMONY.

AN EASY CHANCE TO STEAL.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, was the scene of a pretty wedding this afternoon, the parties being Arthur Henry Mills, of the China Navigation Company, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mills, of Harrogate; and Edith Mary Gillespie, daughter of Capt. R. J. Gillespie, of Hong Kong, and Mrs. Gillespie, of Sydney, Australia.

Many friends of the bride and bridegroom attended.

The Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie officiated and Mr. Longyear was at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. George Watt, was attired in silver lace with over-dress of ivory georgette, her bouquet being a Victorian posy.

Mrs. George Watt, matron of honour, wore a dress of cerulean-coloured georgette with lace insertion and crinoline hat to match.

Mr. L. Foxall, of the China Navigation Company, was best man.

A reception was afterwards held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Watt, following which the bride and bridegroom leave for their honeymoon at Repulse Bay, the bride's travelling dress being of powder blue georgette with under-dress of floral georgette, and hat to match.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a string of pearls and that of the bride to the bridegroom a set of gold studs and cuff links.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

THIN RED LINE.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir,—I am now rewriting and bringing up to date the history of the 93rd Sutherland Highlanders, the "Thin Red Line," and I would be very grateful if anyone who has old letters, diaries, records, or other information regarding this battalion, more especially between 1799 and 1848, would kindly communicate with me at the above address.

Should this meet the eye of any desirous of ordering a copy (price not exceeding one pound) they are asked to do so through me as soon as possible.

If you can find space for the above in your valued journal my brother officers and myself would much appreciate your help.

Yours, etc.,  
A. E. CAVENDISH.

Hanover Court,  
Hanover Square, W. 1,  
London, Feb. 4.

## HOCKEY.

The King's Park ground of the K.B.S.F.P.A. was the scene of a very enjoyable Hockey match yesterday, when the Former Pupils were defeated by the Club de Recreio by seven goals to four. The game was very fast and clean throughout but the Recreio showed much better combination in the forward line than did their opponents although the defenders of the Home Team asserted themselves and played very well together. The game closed with the K.B.S. team pressing hard.

The following represented the K.B.S.F.P.A. Nichols, Matchin, Jeffries, Lawson, Ralton, Thorpe, Puncheon, Greenhalgh, Whitley, Kinnross and Pearne.

## CRICKET.

In a low scoring match on the K.B.S.F.P.A. ground at King's Park the China Light & Power Recreation Club beat the K.B.S.F.P.A. by 56 runs. The latter batted first and scored 77 runs. Hamblin 25 and Miles 19 being the most successful batsmen, for the home team 6 for 40 and Price 3 for 17 did most of the damage.

The Hobe Team, however, could only reply with 21, the bowling of A. B. Climo, 4 for 13 and Easterbrook 4 for 4 being far too good for the K.B.S.F.P.A.

In a second venture the China Light & Power scored 44 for 10 wickets leaving the K.B.S.F.P.A. 100 runs to win in little over an hour which they did thanks mainly to E. R. Price 45 retired hurt while J. D. Murphy 19, Hedley 16, Kelly 16, and E. O. Murphy 12 brought the score to 131 for the loss of seven wickets.

Candy manufacturers of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, Mr. Walter and Mr. Francis Wintzki, who arrived in Hong Kong by the "President Van Buren," completed another "leg" in their four round the world.

Mr. H. E. Bowen, a retired automobile dealer of Los Angeles, California, who is making a world tour arrived in Hong Kong on board the "President Van Buren" from Shanghai and ports this morning.

On a trip round the world, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carter, and their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth Carter arrived in the Colony by the "President Van Buren" this morning, at present on his fourteenth trip to the Orient.

## STOLE A RING.

SOLDIER'S "DISGRACEFUL" ACT.

AN EASY CHANCE TO STEAL.

Private Thomas Smith of the recently arrived Border Regiment was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with the theft of a gold ring at Wanchai last night.

Lieut. Chambers watched the case in the interest of the Military Authorities and occupied a seat on the bench next to the Magistrate.

The accused entered a straightforward plea of "guilty."

Divisional Inspector Blackman said at 9.30 last night the accused entered a jeweller's shop at No. 16 Queen's Road East and pointing to the ring (produced in Court) said

to the Magistrate: Why did you do this disgraceful thing?—No reply.

Have you no excuse to give?

Accused: He had a lot of rings showing and I thought it was an easy chance of getting one.

Sentence of four weeks' hard labour was passed.

## VALUE OF IDEAL.

ORDER OF THE STAR IN THE EAST.

MR. LANEPART'S ADDRESS.

Mr. H. E. Lanepart gave an address on "The Value of an Ideal" at yesterday's weekly meeting of the Hong Kong Centre, Order of the Star in the East, held at No. 7, Duddell Street.

A summary of Mr. Lanepart's remarks follows:

The formulation of an ideal is one of the most effective means of influencing and transmuting the divine nature.

There are different ideals for every stage of personal and national development and all these ideals in their right place are best and as good as our own. For the great spiritual beings who assist in the gradual evolution of mankind and have charge over whole nations, understand the mental and emotional requirements of each, and therefore select and foster the ideal best adapted to uplift the individual or nation.

Vigorous and Healthy Activity.

As there are many definite stages of emotional, mental and spiritual evolution, each man's, and each nation's ideal may be of a very different character.

The value of an ideal for each will lie in its attractiveness and power to move one forward, the next step, in evolution; therefore we see that some can only follow an abstract ideal whilst others need a personal and concrete ideal to stir them into vigorous and healthy activity.

Thus each ideal, whether high or commonplace, is of equal value for those who are pushed forward by it.

When an Ideal is Wrong.

An ideal is only wrong when it makes people retrograde.

Ideals are built by the power of imagination. Every day one should make an image of one's ideal until it stands out clearly in the mind, with all its noble and desirable qualities and compelling beauty and attractiveness.

Anyone who lives with a great ideal carries with him a beneficial force and power which radiates through him and shields and preserves him from the onslaughts of wrong desires and impure and evil thoughts.

Freedom of the Higher Self.

The man of ideals will learn to transmute lower desires into higher ones, passion into benevolent energy, and the dictates of the lower nature for the freedom of the higher self. And into the ideal we have built for ourselves will stream the forces of the higher worlds and make us cognisant in waking the life of peace and bliss far beyond the limitations of ordinary perception, and we shall live more fully and effectively than those who do not create for themselves ideals.

The great power of creative idealism is in our hands and as man uses it to re-create himself daily and hourly, taking his life into his own hands, he will succeed in shaping it in accordance with the divine will to a perfect end.

To be sure of recognising the world teacher when we shall stand face to face with Him, what have we to do? Let us see what Bishop (Dr.) George Arundale says—

"To believe in the teachings of the Church? These are not of lives of respectable conventionality? History shows that it is dangerous to live like the many when a Saviour is in the world, for the opinions and customs of the many are more often than not the masks people wear because they are not yet quite ready to face the light of truth.

Like Attracts Like.

"To be sure of the recognition that at all costs we shall stand by His side, we must strive to become like Him. Like attracts like. The Christ-spirit in us shall bring us to Him over all the obstacles of the outer world. But this Christ-spirit is yet but a Christ-spark and we must fan this Christ-spark into a Christ-flame. How? By brotherhood and goodwill. The Christ's Supreme Commandment was 'Love ye one another.'

Stand for Goodwill.

"Let us begin by banishing ill-will, suspicion, distrust and, above all, hatred. At all costs, under all circumstances, we must stand for goodwill. Goodwill in daily life, goodwill in business relations, in religious matters, in the political field, goodwill internationally."

"Goodwill. Is it easy? Perhaps not to achieve, but it is easy to try, and to go on trying, until we achieve."

"The more goodwill there is in us the greater is the likelihood of our recognising Him when He comes."

## MAD DOG AMOK.

CHINESE WOM

## VIOLENT PICKETS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

listen to no reason either from the Commissioner or from Mr. Teichman.

Mr. Teichman thereupon complained to the Southern Government and His Majesty's Minister at Peking concerning the demands, which he categorically refused, except that for hospital expenses, etc., which he had already offered, and declared he would not be responsible for any consequences.

## PACK BATTERIES.

Latest Additions to Shanghai Force.

The s.s. "Bellerophon" arrived here yesterday with two Pack Batteries (the 15th, and 20th) on board.

These were disembarked this morning and proceeded to the Marine ground, Kowloon.

Part of the premises of the Dragon Motor Garage has been taken over by the military for the housing of troops, but the Garage will carry on business as usual with the remaining portion. Accommodation has been provided at the garage for about 200 men. The King's Own Scottish Borderers, in full equipment, including tin hats, carried out an impressive route march on Saturday through the Wan Chai district. It was expected that the destroyer flotilla detached from Home would arrive over the week-end but, according to latest information, the destroyers have not yet reached Singapore.

## EARLIER MESSAGES.

Wuhu Native Customs House Wrecked.

Wuhu, March 12. The native Customs House has been completely wrecked and the work of the organisation rendered impossible. The outbreak is thought to be due to the extremely repressive measures with regard to opium.

Notices were, however, issued that neither foreigners nor the Customs Service were to be interfered with. A meeting of the boisterous elements was held under cover, owing to the adverse weather conditions, but there were no incidents connected therewith.

Both the Church Missionary Alliance property and the compound of the American Church Missionary Society, were entered and looted on Saturday, but as both buildings had been evacuated by the foreign staff, the result was without consequence.

Gunboats passed through from the lower river without any trouble.—Naval Wireless.

## British and Hankow.

Shanghai, March 13. A telegram from Hankow, dated March 12, states it is understood that diplomatic contact between the British Government and the Nationalist Government in Wuhan, which was first established by Sir Miles Lampson's visit to Hankow in December, will be maintained by the continuous residence in Hankow of a Senior member of the British Legation staff as the Minister's representative, while it is expected that Sir Miles Lampson will himself periodically visit Hankow as occasion arises.—Reuter.

## No Pilots.

Ichang, March 12. The situation is generally unchanged, but British gunboats have been refused the services of Chinese pilots.—Naval Wireless.

## Menace to Shanghai.

Shanghai, March 12. Five hundred armed Shantung troops endeavoured to enter the International Settlement to-day, but were frustrated by a detachment of the Durham Regiment.

It is understood that this morning a hundred only received permission to pass through, provided that they first disarmed.

Later, two British guards on the bridge leading to the Settlement, noticed the approach of a large body of troops, whom they stopped, refusing them a passage.

In response to requests for reinforcements, two hundred of the Durhams rushed up ready for action.

Realising the futility of forcing a passage the Shantung troops retired.

## The guards at the entrances to the Settlement were redoubled this afternoon.—Reuter.

## UNREST IN MILLS.

Inflammatory Posters Up Again.

## Shanghai, March 12.

Unrest among the cotton mill workers is intensifying.

The Japanese mill employees, who struck on Thursday owing to the management's removal of certain posters have resumed on the replacement of the posters, one of which urges, *inter alia*,

## CAFE PARISIEN.

SATURDAY NIGHT'S HAPPY GATHERING.

FULL LICENCE GRANT.

A delightful, although informal, gathering enjoyed the well-chosen menu, the excellent music and good attendance, at the Cafe Parisien on Saturday night when the proceedings partook of a celebration at the granting of a full licence to the cafe management.

Mr. S. Green and his staff are to be complimented on the arrangements made for the comfort and convenience of guests and the excellence of the fare, supervised by a French chef of considerable ability.

The many present thoroughly enjoyed the evening and doubtless one of the contributory items was the fact that at the Cafe Parisien one can dress or not as one pleases without feeling "out of it."

The orchestra is a good one, the dance music being of the latest.

The success of Saturday night's gathering augurs well for the future of the Cafe.

make preparation for a second general strike; call a conference of citizens' representatives to discuss the organisation of a citizens' Government; seize arms; running dogs have recently been killed."

The last sentence refers to the murders cabbed yesterday afternoon.

Armed Agitators' Intimidation.

A lock-out began at one Chinese mill yesterday when the dayshift men failed to turn up owing to fears of an attack by armed agitators.

Operatives of a British mill who struck on Thursday are still out and demand, inter alia, the reinstatement of workers dismissed in the previous strike, and an increase in wages.

A Chinese accountant of the Shanghai Electric Construction Tramway Company was shot and seriously injured yesterday evening outside his residence, presumably by hired assassins.

Warlord's Reported Demands.

Chinese financial circles are greatly perturbed by Chang Tsung-chang demanding a large sum of money—reported to be ten million taels—for military expenses from local bankers and the Chambers of Commerce.

Continuous rains are water-logging the country and holding up all military operations.

Shantung reinforcements are massing at various points on the Shanghai-Nanking railway between the Yangtze river and Soochow.—Reuter.

MRS. BORODIN.

Removed to Wei Chiao Chwang.

Peking, March 12.

A curious report has reached Peking from a foreign source that one of the three Russian couriers was a woman.

The report states that Madame Borodin, another Russian woman and two couriers have been removed from Tsinan-fu to Wei Chiao Chwang, not far from Tsinan-fu, owing to fears for their safety in the city due to the numbers of White Russians there.—Reuter.

SAAR AGREEMENT TERMS.

Geneva, March 13.

The vexed question of the occupation of the Saar has been settled by the Council League, unanimously adopting the Saar Governing Commission's proposals whereby a police force of 800 men will replace the existing French troops for the protection of the railways.

Dr. Stresemann finally agreed not to press his demand for a reduction of the force to 500, on the Council declaring that, in accordance with Dr. Stresemann's wish,

the evacuation of the troops from the Saar and the enforcement of the new order would occur within three months. It was also agreed that the new police force would not be used except in exceptionally grave circumstances and that the figure of 800 was regarded as the maximum and reducible, if possible.

## GOOD PROGRESS.

THE DUCHESS OF YORK NOW CONVALESCENT.

DUKE'S SOUTH ISLAND TOUR.

Wellington, March 13. The Duchess of York has arrived here. A bulletin states that her condition is quite satisfactory.

The tonsilitis has nearly subsided; but complete rest is essential to re-establish her health.



DUCHESS OF YORK

## HOLES IN CHEESE.

HOW THEY ARE MADE IN SWITZERLAND.

TRUTH ABOUT A MYSTERY.

How do they put the holes into Swiss cheese? Everybody, of course, knows the much-hailed joke about the old woman with one tooth who is supposed to work overtime at the job; but not two persons in a hundred have heard the truth about this little mystery.

Some people have a vague idea that the holes are deliberately created to fill up space; others maintain that they are only inserted for purposes of decoration. Both, however, are a very long way from the truth.

Gruyere cheese, or, to be more accurate, Emmenthaler, would be just about as palatable without holes, say, lager beer without froth. Holes are the hallmark of quality, and the bigger the holes the better the cheese.

In fact, these mysterious constellations are much in demand for the American market that experts are hard at work "trying to find a formula," as they say at the League of Nations, for making the holes larger and often.

Rich Nutty Flavor.

It has been said that Swiss cheese is preferred in America because it is so largely used for making sandwiches, and the holes sell just as well as the cheese for this purpose.

But every cheese-eater in America knows perfectly well that it is not the holes they buy but the rich, nutty flavor which their presence denotes, and which has made Emmenthaler famous all over the world.

The merit of Emmenthaler is due to a very small cause with a very big effect—a tiny microbe which is responsible for the fermentation of the milk before it turns into cheese.

With the aid of this benevolent microbe the acid casein in the milk are converted into carbonic acid gas, which during the process of manufacture produces bubbles of different sizes.

As the mass cools these gradually evaporate, leaving the cheese pitted with holes.

Aromatic Alpine Fodder.

Switzerland produces about 30,000,000 worth of cheese every year, her chief rival being the United States, who the manufacturer of Emmenthaler is said to have reached a high standard.

After years of research Michigan experts claim to have discovered a process whereby it is now possible to control the size of the holes and market high grade Emmenthaler at 10d. a pound.

This threat to one of their staple industries has not unduly perturbed the Swiss. Anyone can put holes in cheese, they reply, but not all the dollars ever printed can produce the aromatic Alpine fodder on which Swiss cattle are fed.

A good story is told about a distinguished foreigner who was being shown over one of the largest dairy farms in the Emmenthal.

For a time he watched the bubbling cauldrons in silence, then, turning to the dairyman, he asked, "And how do you put the big holes in the cheese afterwards?"

"Oh, that's very simple," laughed the farmer. "You just take a hole and put a lot of cheese round it."

## EXCITING SCENES.

CROWD STORMS CHURCH HOUSE.

PRAYER BOOK CHANGES.

London, Feb. 17.

The very great interest aroused by the alterations in the Prayer Book led to remarkable scenes outside Church House, Westminster, where a meeting was being held of the English Church Union to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the release from jail of Father Toth, the former leader of the High Church Party.

Many of the crowd mistakenly believed that the meeting was being held to discuss the alterations to the Prayer Book. Half an hour prior to the time for the commencement of the meeting all the seats were filled and the gates were closed.

This aroused the hostility of a section of the large crowd of laymen and clergymen, who gathered outside, some of whom rushed the doors, pushed past the stewards, and entered the Hall.

A crowd besieged Dean's Yard, which is at the back of Church House, and hammered at the doors. Eventually the caretaker opened them and informed the crowd that there was no room for a single person more in the hall.

## BEIRUT TORNADO.

VESSELS BREAK AWAY FROM MOORINGS.

PURCHASE FOR NATION.

London, Feb. 11.

Beirut.—Great damage was caused here by a tornado. Ships in the harbour were broken away from their anchors and various craft are asking for assistance.

The barracks have been blown down and three Senegalese were killed and two seriously injured.

Telegraphic communication with Egypt is interrupted.

## MISS OWEN.

COURT APPLICATION DISMISSED WITH COSTS.

COUNSEL'S STATEMENT AT BAR

London, Feb. 15.

The application of Miss Owen, Secretary to the late Lord Northcliffe, was dismissed with costs.

Mr. Justice Astbury said that none who heard Mr. Jowitt's statement on Friday could possibly have refused to believe it. It must have carried conviction to everyone who heard it.

A London message dated February 11 stated:—

(The Chancery Division was involved by a heated verbal altercation between Judge and Counsel, when Miss Owen pleaded for the re-hearing of her action against Lord Rothermere. She stated that she consented to withdraw her action, only if Lord Rothermere agreed to pay her costs and to contribute large sums to charities nominated by her. Miss Owen alleged that Counsel, Mr. Jowitt, settled the case without such terms.

Mr. Upjohn, Miss Owen's present Counsel, contended that Mr. Jowitt must appear in Court like any ordinary man and be subjected to cross-examination. A lively argument ensued regarding Counsel's privileges. Mr. Justice Astbury pointing out, it was most difficult for Counsel to cease to be Counsel to become a witness and then go back and argue the case on his own evidence.

The usual process was for Judge to ask Counsel to make a statement from his place in Court. Any other course would be preposterous. Mr. Upjohn thought it was difficult to ask a witness to sit down.

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## WEATHER FORECAST.

E. winds, moderate; overcast, drizzle, mist is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

A concert and dance will be given by the members of Morrison Hall (the University Hostel) at the City Hall at 6 p.m. this Saturday.

The annual general meeting of the Mid-Levels Residents' Association will be held at the Ladies' Recreation Club, Peak Road, tomorrow at 6 p.m.

Eighteen widows assembled in court at Berlin, according to the "Daily Mail's" correspondent, and denounced Robert Loteisen, a ship's cook on a Hamburg-Amerika liner, who had promised to marry each of them. Loteisen's fascinating style enabled him to scrape an acquaintance with passengers who in turn introduced him to rich widows. When he was sent to jail for 18 months his victims cheered.

The Paris correspondent of the "Daily News" says that a vigorous patriotic riot has been imparted to the great anti-trousers campaign by the declaration that Frenchmen are increasing unemployment by wearing English-made trousers. It is suggested that the substitution of discreetly buckled knee-breeches will end London's tyranny. The press accuses Mr. Baldwin's baggy garments as proof that even England can make trousers unattractive.

"For an inadvertent sentence in an obscure book," says Captain Peter Wright, who lost his libel action against Viscount Gladstone, in connection with certain statements as to the character of the late W. E. Gladstone, "I am compelled to acquiesce in a torrent of public abuse, persecution, deprivation of my livelihood, and expulsion from the Bath Club or wash a great deal of historical linen in public. Being a pessimist, I do not expect justice on this earth, consequently I am not disappointed. I consider that I have not been treated with a semblance of justice by most tribunals, social and legal, and the undisguised, flagrant illegality does not vex me. The profits of my book were under £40," he concluded.

A Reuter message from the Hague states that Baron Gevers, the Dutch Minister to Germany, who is shortly retiring from the Diplomatic Service, will be replaced in Berlin by Count Van Limburg Stirum.

Sir Charles Greenway, Bt., upon whom the dignity of a Baron of the United Kingdom has been conferred, will be known by the name, style, and title of Baron Greenway of Stanbridge Earls in the county of Southampton.

Mr. Andrew A. Freeman, a New York journalist, arrived in Hong Kong to-day on the "President Van Buren" from Shanghai. Accompanied by Mrs. Freeman, Mr. Freeman is on a tour of the world and leaves on the same boat to-morrow.

Mr. Nordahl Grieg, representing Norwegian, Danish and Swedish newspapers, has arrived in China to follow the course of events here. Music-lovers will be interested to learn that he is a grand-nephew of Grieg, the composer of "Pier Gynt" and other famous pieces.

After three postponements, Commander Wilfred St. Aubyn Malleon, V.C., married Miss Cecil Mary Collinson on March 1. Commander Malleon's failure to attend for the appointed marriage the previous Saturday was attributed to lapse of memory and recurrence of shell shock.

An excellent recital was given on Saturday night by Mr. V. Darrow and pupils, the entertainment meriting a larger attendance. In addition to Mr. Darrow, who was assisted by Mr. Harry Ore, other capable performers included Mrs. Orson and Mr. Li Chor-chi, the programme including the sketch "Gipsy Love." Members of the forces were invited to the recital free of charge, the arrangements being carried out through the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.

While home on leave, Mr. H. T. Brooks, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, who leaves on Saturday by the s.s. "Mongolia," will visit many of the leading Fire Stations in England and Scotland. While en route, too, he intends making inspections of the fighting plant at ports of call. Mr. Brooks, who first came to Hong Kong about four and a half years ago to take up his present appointment on the reorganization of the Fire Brigade, has considerable experience with the London Fire Brigade and is a valuable asset in the reorganization of the Hong Kong Fire Department.

A small blaze occurred at 17, Queen's Road Ctr., (the premises of the Drama Club) early this morning due to the catching fire of the bed of the lift boy. The fire brigade turned out and extinguished the fire in a few minutes.



Mr. John Van A. MacMurray, the United States Minister to China. He is one of the youngest men to attain the rank of Minister in the United States Diplomatic Service.

The annual procession of Our Lord of Passos took place on the grounds of the Roman Catholic Cathedral yesterday afternoon. There was a large gathering of the faithful from every part of the island and Kowloon present. Rev. Fr. Noval of the Spanish Procuration carried the Blessed Sacrament followed by Bishop Valtorta, the clergy of the Cathedral and representatives of the French, Spanish and American Missions. The Band of the Portuguese Philharmonic Society provided the music, while a choir from St. Joseph's College sang "Mercy, Oh Lord" at various stations en route. The feature of the procession was a dozen or so of little girls—little tots not more than four years old—pretty attired as angels. After the procession a sermon was preached in Portuguese, followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Arriving at Hong Kong to-day by the "President Van Buren" from the North is Mr. Max Jensen of Hamburg.

Mr. William Herthel, of the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, Canton, arrived in Hong Kong to-day on the "President Van Buren" from the North.

In the course of a tour of the East, Capt. William James Todd, a director of Messrs. Findlater, Mackie, Todd and Co., Ltd., arrived in the Colony yesterday. In addition to being a well-known business



man at home, Capt. Todd recently published "A Handbook of Wine" which was very favourably reviewed in the Home Press.

The death occurred at the Naval Hospital on Saturday of Chief Engineer Room Artificer William Head Spargo, of H.M.S. "Petersfield," whose funeral took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday evening the service being conducted by the Wesleyan Chaplain for the Fleet and attended by the band of H.M.S. "Hermes." The coffin was borne to the graveyard on a field gun carriage, with a firing party in attendance. Ensigns on all ships of the fleet were half-masted between 4 and 5 p.m.

The "North China Daily News" is informed by the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., that owing to the limited accommodation available at the establishments now under their control, and the insistent demand for further accommodation, they have arranged with a view to meeting this congestion to place the late Kales Hotel into commission again under the name of the Palace Hotel Annex. It is understood, however, that even this accommodation will not meet the reservations already booked. The Palace Hotel Annex will be under the management of Mr. Michael, the manager of the Kales Hotel, and the manager of the Kales Hotel.

The Victorian Cabinet has decided to appoint Mr. Charles John Lowe to the position of the Supreme Court Bench rendered vacant by the recent resignation of Mr. Justice Shand. Mr. Lowe, who was born in Victoria, is 46 years old. He holds the degrees of M.A. and LL.B., with honours in each case of the Melbourne University. He was admitted to practice in 1905, and has had a most successful career at the Bar. He is a member of the Chinese Bar.

Two notifications of diphtheria were made during the week-end, one from the city, and one from Kowloon. There was also a case of typhoid from the city. All the patients are Chinese.

"This would be a moral thrill that would electrify the world," said Mr. Upshaw, a militant prohibitionist, bidding good-bye to congress after eight years. The thrill he described would be "for the president, the vice-president and every member of the Cabinet to all openly and unitedly announced that they not only will never take another drink, but will never attend any function, social, commercial or diplomatic, where intoxicants are served."

Two farmers, one an ex-Indian officer, and the other who was a doctor, while sheltering in a cave in Southern Rhodesia, discovered on the roof of the cave paintings, which were pronounced by an expert to be typically Egyptian. The theory is that the ancestors of the painters once lived in the then fertile Sahara, but were forced to trek to Somaliland on account of droughts. They were driven out by the Bantu people, five thousand years ago, and fled to the south. This is the first link connecting the North with South Africa.

Excavations on the south side of the Singapore River in connection with the rebuilding of Elgin Bridge have brought to light an interesting "find" in the form of three clay jars, says the "Free Press." The bank of the river, for a considerable depth, consists of soft mud, and the vases were discovered 45 feet below low water mark. One of them is of curious design, but the crudeness of their manufacture is all that there is to bear out the supposition that they are of any great antiquity. One is a small patch of glaze which suggests Chinese origin. It is possible that they may be vessels which were in use on board junks which used the river years ago and were flung into the river and sank to the considerable depth at which they were found owing to the softness of the ground in that vicinity.

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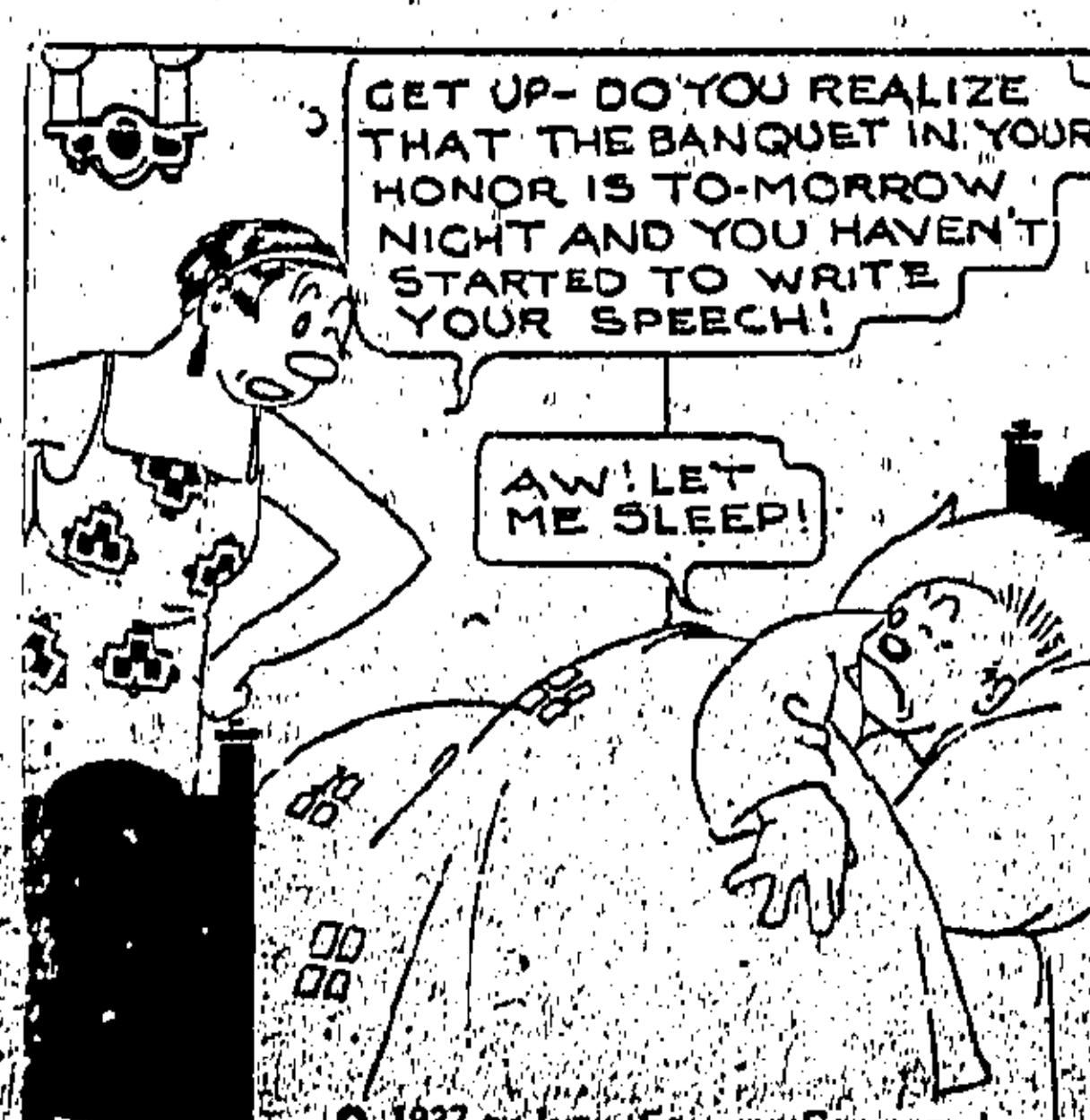
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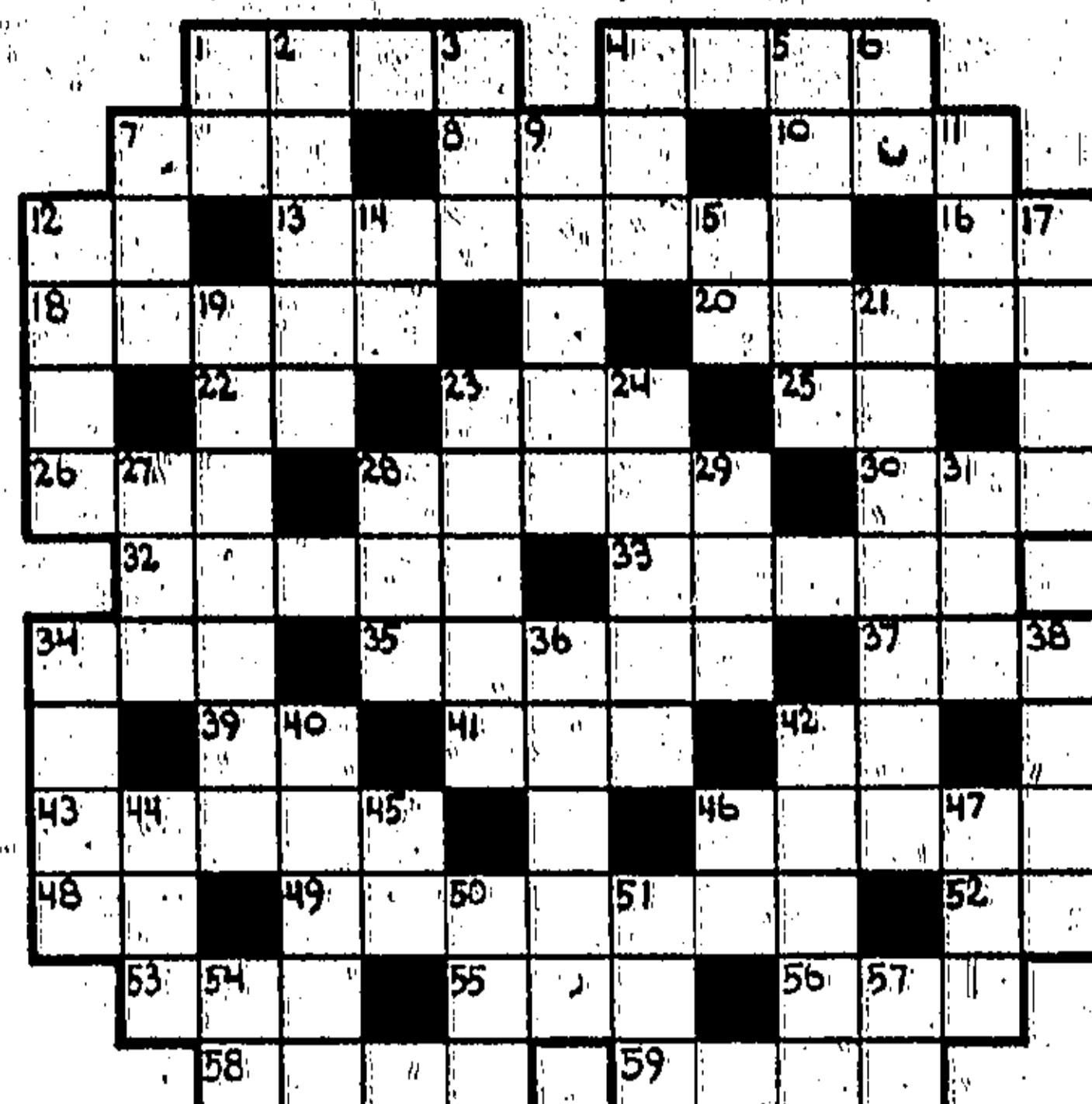
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Four German Nationalists are included in the new Cabinet, in which Dr. Marx is Chancellor and Herr Stresemann is Foreign Secretary.

Mr. John Felix Kershaw has been appointed to succeed the late Sir Thomas Granger as judge of the Southwark and Greenwich and Woolwich county courts.

As the result of an explosion at a depth of 2,200ft. at the Bettleshanger Colliery, near Dover, four men were killed and eleven others were injured. It is believed that a drill encountered an unexploded charge.

The Fortune Theatre, a freehold property in Russell Street, Drury Lane, has been bought for £90,000 by a private company, of which Mr. Tom Walls, the actor, and managing director of the Aldwych Theatre, is chairman.

At the principal ports of Great Britain and Ireland, 230 vessels of a total tonnage of 364,874 were laid up, compared with 259 (407,664 tons) on Jan. 1, 1926, and 518 (859,739 tons), on July 1, 1926.

Flying in a heavy wind, a single-seater "bomber" aeroplane got out of control and nose-dived, crashing into a garden at Norbury. Flight-Lieut. W. G. Meggitt, M.C., pilot, died shortly after being extricated from the wreckage.

Four persons were killed by the collapse of a tenement house in Glasgow during a violent gale which caused many deaths throughout Scotland. Three or four men are believed to have been buried amid the wreckage of a three-storey warehouse which collapsed. Near Dunbar an express train was brought to a standstill by the force of the gale.

Senatore Marconi, speaking at a Foreign Press Association luncheon, said that he felt convinced that a beam wireless system which would work across the greatest distances with a moderate amount of power, was the system of the future for point to point communications throughout the world. Before long television would be brought to practical success.

Proposals, which were defeated for the enlargement of the London County Council education programme for the forthcoming three years, were advocated by the Labour party on the ground that there had been a slowing down, and that wartime laxity in education progress had not yet been made up. Out of a total estimate of £12,500,000, Sir John Gilbert said, the alleged slowing down worked out at less than £35,000.

Summing up a discussion on Joint Industrial Councils at the conference organised by the League of Nations Union, Mr. G. N. Barnes expressed the opinion that there was practical unanimity that in some way or other effect should be given to the decisions of the councils, which should not be merely registered as pious opinions. Full knowledge, it was also agreed, should be given to the Joint Industrial Council of all the facts bearing on any particular question, so that each side should have equal opportunities of coming to a decision.

Pointing out that a growing population and expanding production called for a larger volume of bank credit, Mr. Reginald McKenna, who presided at the Midland Bank Ltd. annual meeting, advocated the holding of an exhaustive inquiry into the principles on which a central bank should be founded and should conduct its operations. If the expansion of credit was not haphazard but was capable of definite control and properly within the domain of policy, he said, it was wise to ensure that the additional accommodation should be forthcoming.

In a message of congratulation to the annual general meeting of the Boy Scouts' Association, the Prince of Wales observed that the movement during the past year could show in Britain alone an all-round increase of over 14,000, and was proof of its vitality and its capacity to weather an exceptionally difficult period. Lord Hampton, the Chief Commissioner, who said that in view of the industrial difficulties the increase in numbers was eminently satisfactory, reported that the total for the Empire, including British troops in foreign countries, was 521,147, an increase of 16,952.

Lady Madge died of pneumonia shortly after the funeral of her husband, Sir William Madge, at Putney.

Supervision of Germany's army and armaments will be transferred to the League of Nations from the Inter-Allied Commission, which will withdraw from Germany. In competent British circles no fear is entertained that the new system of supervision will be less effective.

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Kinnaird, the favourite, won the Kempton Park Hurdle Handicap by a neck from Paddy.

It was disclosed at an inquest at St. Pancras, N.W., that the principal witness had been obtained by broadcasting.

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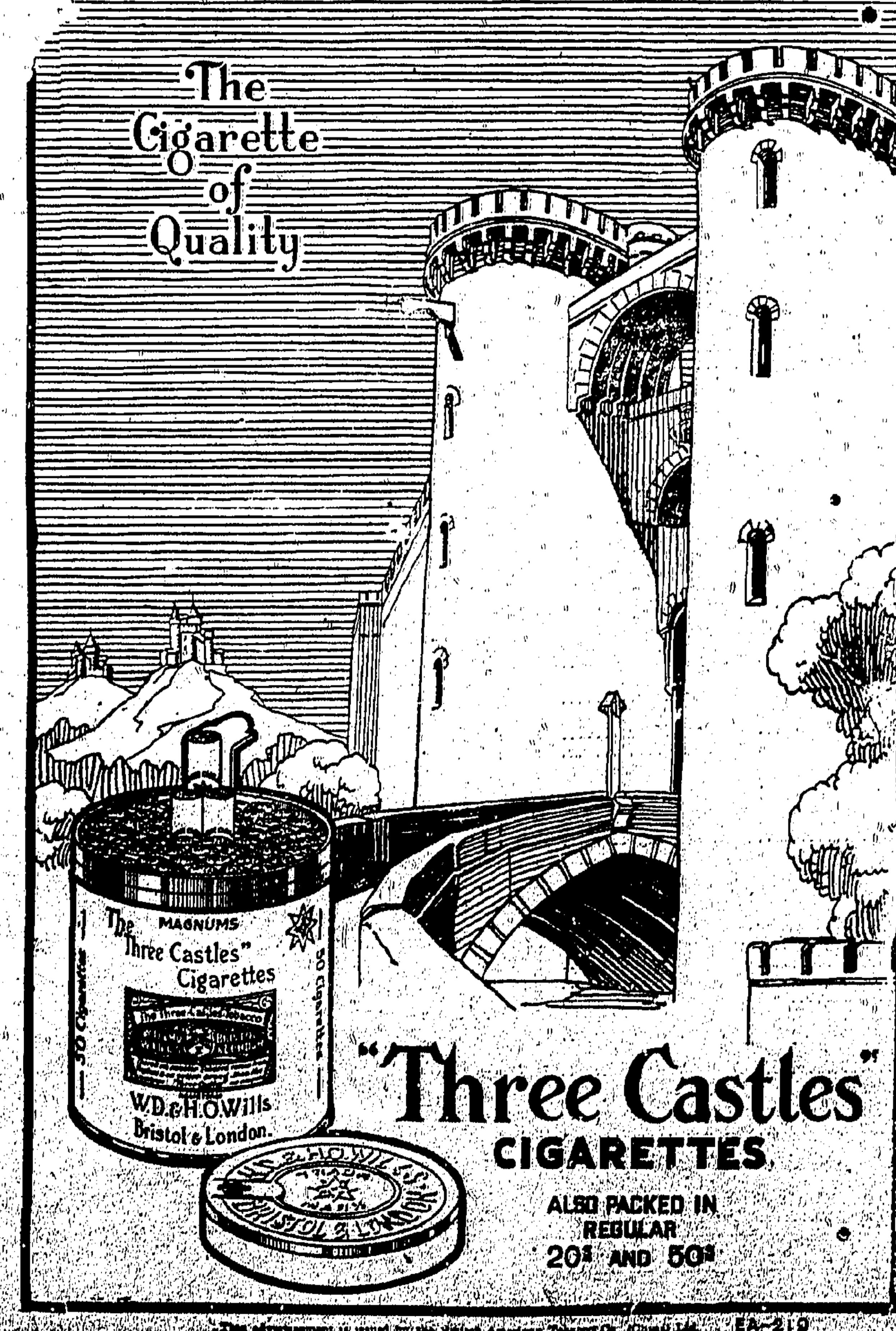
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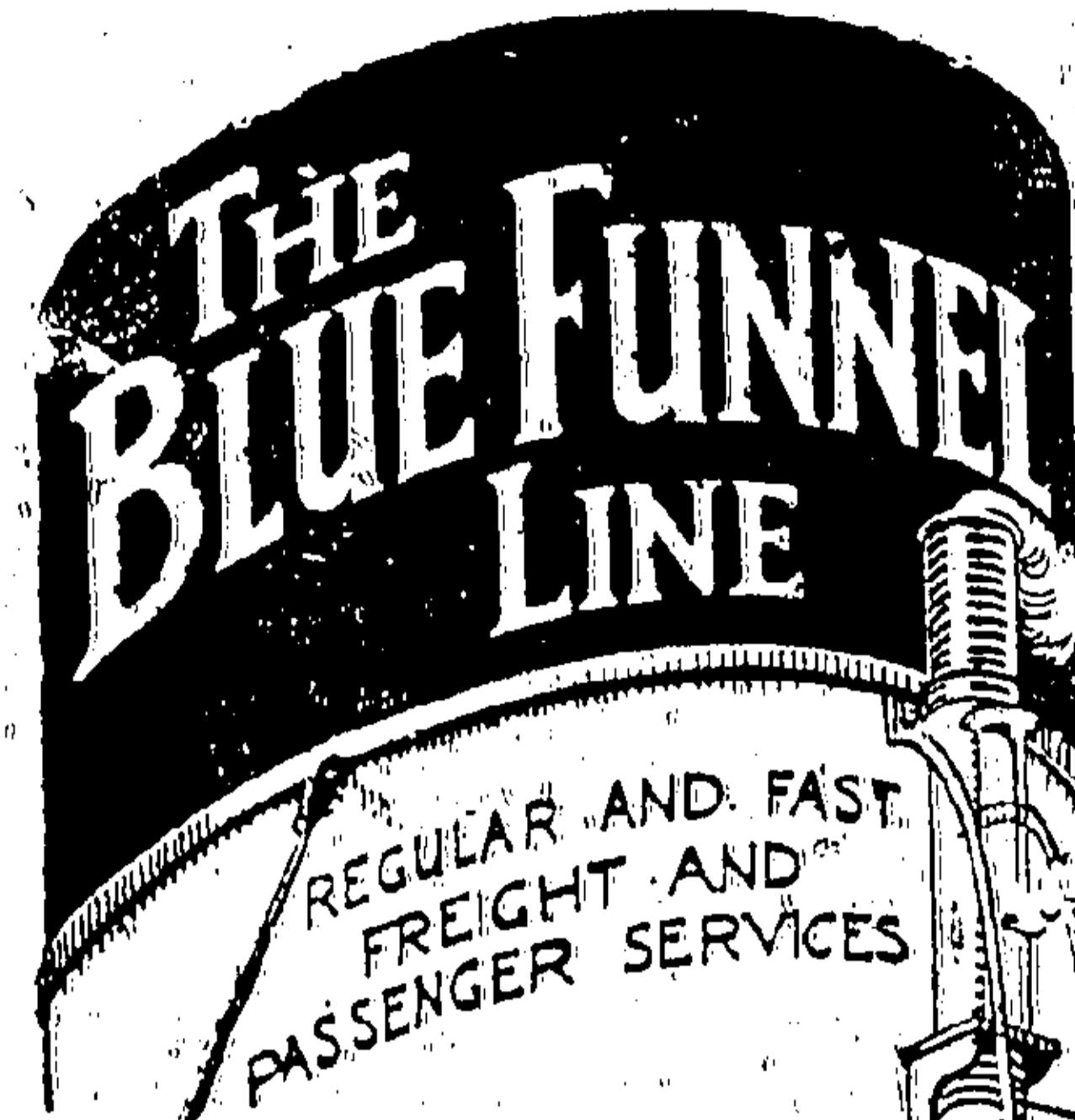
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| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco 7th April and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially supercribed "Via Siberia" only). Purchas 3 p.m. Registration 4:15 p.m. Letters 6 p.m. ... President Grant. | 14  | Tai Ming ..... 4:30 p.m.          |
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How The Far East Is Supplied.

"ALMOST INCREDIBLE" TRAFFIC.

London, March 13. — Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain have arrived in London from Geneva. Interviewed by Reuter, Sir Austen Chamberlain said he was very pleased with the work of the enlarged Council of the League. — Reuter

The report reveals that the German police recently discovered the existence of an international band of smugglers carrying on the traffic to an almost incredible extent.

The orders for drugs mostly emanated from the Far East. The operations were conducted chiefly through Copenhagen.

The report expresses the opinion that a later discovery by the same police is hoped to shed much light on the methods of the contraband dealers, also the sources of supply. The Council adopted a resolution moved by Sir Malcolm de Levigne (British delegate) requesting the committee to investigate the measures taken or that can be taken by the governments of countries engaged in the manufacture and distribution of drugs to keep a check on the disposal of drugs to ensure that they are supplied only to authorized persons.

Sir Malcolm de Levigne stated that there was little information regarding the source of drugs and he urged that investigation begin with the manufacturer or the large importer, and proceed step by step in the chain of transactions, until the leakage is discovered. — Reuter

Earlier Messages.

Rugby, March 12.

The Council of the League of Nations yesterday considered the report of the Advisory Committee on the question of opium and other noxious drugs.

M. Zaleski said the illicit traffic had not appreciably abated and he was sure the Council would appreciate the proposal made by the British representative on the Advisory Committee that it was important to discover the sources of supply open to illicit traffickers.

Apparently enormous quantities of noxious drugs are being exported to China by post and the Council considered it advisable that European Governments should examine this fact. The only possible remedy is for countries which have undertaken to exercise control to do so effectively.

The Council empowered the Chairman of the Advisory Committee to summon a special meeting of that body to deal with this aspect of the problem.

The Opium Convention of February, 1925, cannot come into force until seven States represented on the Council have ratified it. Great Britain was the first member of the Council to ratify the Convention and now Germany has done so.

M. Briand assured the Council that France will ratify within the next few months. Netherlands has also practically ratified it and Signor Scialoja told the Council that Italy will likewise be ready to do so shortly. — British Wireless Service.

A Hong Kong Syndicate.

London, March 13. — The real position of the drug traffic is now being discovered according to a report of the League of Nations Opium Committee adopted by the Council at Geneva on the 11th inst, stating that some governments are steadily improving their system of control while the import and export certificate system is being more generally applied.

In specific cases this is being followed up, not only by the punishment of offenders but in the remedy of defects in the system. Nevertheless the present position is disconcerting and very unsatisfactory.

The report declared that in India the illicit traffic in cocaine may amount to forty times the legitimate imports.

Large seizures of opium and drugs have been made in the Far East, the Middle East and the United States. The outflow of opium from China very seriously embarrasses the adjoining countries.

The committee cites the case of a syndicate in Hong Kong engaged in smuggling Chinese opium to the extent of £40,000 monthly. The chief of Cairo police reported that the Egyptians are rapidly becoming a race of drug addicts. Sixty arrests are made weekly in Cairo. — Reuter

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 11/16

LEAGUE AND SAAR.

BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY PLEASED.

GERMAN NATIONALISTS ANNOYED.

FAR EASTERN TRIP.

SIX FLYING BOATS TO PARTICIPATE.

SINGAPORE TO BE THEIR BASE.

London, March 13. — Six flying boats, each fitted with 450-horse-power engines, will participate in the Far Eastern flight mentioned on March 5.

Berlin, March 13. — The Press is not enthusiastic with regard to the Saar decision, regarding which the extreme

Germanist journals sharply criticise Dr. Stresemann. The "Deutsche Zeitung" demands that Germany quit the League and Dr. Stresemann resign. — Reuter

How It Was Done.

Rugby, March 13.

Interviewed in Paris, while returning from Geneva to London, Sir Austen Chamberlain expressed delight at the excellent work accomplished by the League Council meeting particularly the solution of the Saar question.

At the last sitting of the Council yesterday, when their differing views had been stated by Dr. Stresemann and M. Briand, the British Foreign Secretary and M. van der Velde intervened with conciliatory speeches, and a compromise was reached to attain which both the French and German Ministers conceded points. Much satisfaction is felt in British circles at the solution of the difficulty. — British Wireless Service.

MINE DISASTERS.

London, March 12.

The Lord Mayor has closed the fund for victims of the Cwm & Blaenhorpe colliery disasters, stating that £24,000 has been subscribed, this being sufficient to make adequate allowances.

The last two bodies out of fifty-two killed at Cwm were located yesterday. — Reuter.

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